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**Subject:** R6 Daily Ops Report (1/6/2017) Incident updates include: Mesilla Mercury Response and Amarillo Phosphine Incident  
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## R6 Daily Ops Status Report

### Current Status (8:07 AM CST on 1/6/2017)

#### Personnel

<b>R1:</b>	Enders	<b>Outposted OSC's</b>	
<b>Tel Duty:</b>	Ruhl	Houston, TX/Zehner	Available

#### Available OSC's:

Adams	Adams	Bernier
Brescia	Delgado	Delgado
Enders	Fife	Foster
Guidry	Hayes	Rinehart
Smalley	Todd	

#### Unavailable OSC's:

Baxter	Martin	Mason
McAteer	Moore	Rhotenberry
Smith		

### Reported Activities (1/5/2017 8:00:00 AM CST - 1/6/2017 8:06:00 AM CST)

#### Spill Notifications

State	Oil	Haz	Rad	Other	
AR	0	0	0	0	
LA	0	0	0	2	
NM	0	0	0	0	
OK	0	0	0	0	
TX	1	1	0	1	
Total	1	1	0	3	= 5

#### Significant Events

No significant events for this reporting period

#### Field Operations

**Activity:** Mesilla Mercury Response

**Location:** Mesilla NM

**Contact:** Nicolas Brescia

**Start Date:** 2017/01/07      **Type:** Emergency Response      **Status:** Active

**Comments:** EPA continues its mercury cleanup. Elevated mercury reading are only slightly above 1 ug/m3 in specific locations. Cleanup is expected to conclude 1/6/2017.

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**Activity:** Amarillo Phosphine Incident

**Location:** Amarillo TX

**Contact:** Jhana Enders/Wren Stenger

**Start Date:** 2017/01/06      **Type:** Emergency      **Status:** Active  
Response

**Comments:**

EPA Multi Media Division held a coordination call with the Texas Department of Ag to share situational awareness and coordinate future public information releases.

EPA continues to support the local and state response efforts. An unified command has been established.

The locals have secured the property preventing the public from having access.

TCEQ and EPA continue cleanup. Spent aluminum phosphide that was removed from under the mobile home and has been secured and is being neutralized on the property.

Extremely cold weather has impacted the cleanup and minimal cleanup is expected until Monday of next week when temperatures warm up.

EPA has mobilized a mobile command post to support in the ongoing TCEQ/EPA operations.

Six people remain hospitalized.

Media interest remains high.

#### Exercises

No exercises for this reporting period

**12:00 AM - 12:00 AM Smith, DonaldP AL**

**12:00 AM - 12:00 AM Smith, Monica annual leave -- grapevine**

**12:00 AM - 12:00 AM Ward, Misty Holiday and Annual Leave**

**All Day Enders, Jhana Response Duty -- Dallas, Tx**

**12:00 AM - 12:00 AM Adams, Adam CM -- NLA**

**12:00 AM - 12:00 AM McAteer, Mike Annual Leave**

**12:00 AM - 12:00 AM Rhotenberry - A/L**

**12:00 AM - 12:00 AM Smalley, Bryant ANNLV**

**All Day McKay, Tom McKay, Tom SPCC inspections, recons, & outreach in Oklahoma, Logan, and Lincoln Cos., OK**

**All Day Brescia, Nicolas CWS -- home**

**All Day Fausel, Betsy -- Leave Day (Individual Holiday) - Fausel**

**All Day Hayes, Mark CWD**

**All Day Jamie Bradsher-CWS**

**All Day Johnbull, Enoch CWS -- Dallas Texas**

**All Day Martin, John CWS Day-Off**

**All Day Moore, Gary Annual Leave**

**All Day Petersen, Chris CWS Compressed Day Off**

**All Day Webster CWD**

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